

BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Major Rick L. Carter



Major Rick Carter is the squadron commander for the Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright Patterson AFB Ohio. He is responsible for providing military and civilian personnel support and training programs for 500 faculty and staff to include 5,500 students at 400 locations worldwide. Provides onsite support for an additional 8,000 TDY students annually. He also provides command responsibility and support for all assigned personnel.

Major Carter was born November 20, 1960, in Ashland, Kentucky, and was raised in South Point, Ohio. He graduated from South Point High School in 1979. In 1985, Major Carter was commissioned as a second lieutenant after graduating as a Distinguished Graduate from the USAF Officer's Training School.

In January 1986, he began his career as a Personnel Officer and was assigned to Headquarters Air Force Logistics Command, Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel, Wright Patterson AFB Ohio. His initial duties were as Chief, Personnel Analysis Division and later as Executive Officer to the Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel. In June 1989, he became the Chief, Quality Force Section and later as Chief, Personnel Utilization Section in the San Antonio Air Logistics Centers Consolidated Base Personnel Office, Kelly AFB, Texas. In June 1991, Major Carter was selected and reassigned to be the Chief, Joint Personnel Policy and Plans Branch, Data Management Division, Assistant Chief of Staff, J-1, United States Forces Korea, Yongsan Army Post, Seoul Korea. He completed his joint tour in June 1993.

Major Carter was then reassigned in June 1993 to be the Military Personnel Flight Commander, Whiteman AFB, Missouri for the historical mission change in support of the activation of the 509th Bomb Wing, home of the Air Force's only B-2 Stealth Bomber, and deactivation of the 351st Missile Wing. In August 1995, Major Carter was reassigned to the Air Force Military Personnel Center as Deputy Chief, Contingency Manning Branch, Readiness Operations Division, Directorate of Personnel Accountability. He was then selected in April 1996 to be the Executive Officer to the AFPC Executive Director (SES). In December 97, he was reassigned as Chief, Recognition Programs Branch, Promotion, Evaluation and Recognition Division, Directorate of Personnel Program Management. Major Carter served as the Commander of the 311th Mission Support Squadron, Brooks AFB Texas from 30 March 1998 until 24 May 1999. He assumed his current position effective 17 June 1999.

He is married to the former Tammy Holderby of Proctorville, Ohio. They have two daughters, Kristen and Jessica.

EDUCATION:

- 1985 Bachelor of Arts Degree in Human Resource Management, Saint Leo College, Florida
- 1988 Master of Science in Administration Degree, Central Michigan University, Michigan
- 1989 Squadron Officers School, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
- 1995 Advanced Personnel Officers Course, Maxwell AFB, Alabama

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

- Defense Meritorious Service Medal
- Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
- Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters